# MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS

# **REGULAR MEETING**

**OF THE** 

# RETIREMENT BOARD OF THE POLICEMEN'S

**ANNUITY & BENEFIT FUND** 

**HELD** 

**THURSDAY – MAY 24, 2018** 

The regular meeting of the Retirement Board of the Policemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund was held May 24, 2018, at 9:30 A.M. at the office of the Fund, 221 N. LaSalle Street, Room 1626, Chicago, Illinois for the consideration of applications and bills, and for other such matters that came before the Board. The contents of this meeting were transcribed by Esquire Communications, Ltd. Court Reporters and are made a part of the record.

PRESENT: Trustees Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

ABSENT: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3. PRESIDING: Vice President Hamburger

Vice President Hamburger called the meeting to order.

The first order of business was review and approval of the minutes for the Investment Committee meeting held May 21, 2018.

It was moved by Trustee Summers, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the minutes of May 21, 2018, as submitted.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

The next order of business was review of the Minutes for the Disability Committee meeting held May 2, 2018, with the correction of Trustee Hamburger marked as absent and Trustee Wright marked as present.

It was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the minutes, with noted corrections, of May 2, 2018.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0

The next order of business was review of the Minutes for the Regular Board meeting held April 23, 2018.

It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Wright that the Board approve the minutes of April 23, 2018, as submitted.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

The next order of business was review of the Minutes of the Disability Committee meeting held April 24, 2018, as submitted.

It was moved by Trustee Summers, seconded by Trustee Wright that the Board approve the minutes for the Disability Committee meeting of April 24, 2018.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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The next order of business was review of the Investment Committee meeting minutes, at which there was not a quorum present, therefore votes on recommendations are required.

It was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board redeem \$10 million from Acadian and William Blair International as the final segment of the staged rebalancing program.

#### **ROLL CALL**

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

It was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board invest \$10 million each in the Clareant European Direct Lending Fund III and the Monroe Capital Private Credit Fund III, subject to legal review with the investment to be made from equal redemptions of Manulife Asset Management and Wells Capital Management.

#### **ROLL CALL**

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

The Vice President turned the meeting over to the Recording Secretary. Review of the agenda was as follows:

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1 - 5 Incurred Expenses for the Month of May 2018.

It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the Obligations as detailed on pages 1 through 5.

## ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

6 - 8 Refund of Contributions; Withdrawal of Service, Widow's Annuity

Accumulations, and Exempt Rank.

It was moved by Trustee Beyna, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board approve the Refunds as detailed on pages 6 through 8.

#### **ROLL CALL**

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

# 9 - 10 Payment to Heirs of Deceased Annuitants

It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board approve payments to heirs of deceased annuitants as detailed on pages 9 and 10.

## **ROLL CALL**

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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11 Payment to Heirs of Deceased Annuitants – Retroactive amounts due

It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve payments to heirs of deceased annuitants as detailed on page 11.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

Refund of Annual Increase Contributions (less than 20 years of Service)

It was moved by Trustee Beyna, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board approve the refund of annual increase contributions as detailed on page 12.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

13 - 15 Annuities [Summary on page 16]

It was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the Annuities as detailed on pages 13 through 15.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

17 - 18 Annuities to Widows [Summary on page 19]

It was moved by Trustee Summers, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board approve the Annuities to Widows as detailed on pages 17 and 18.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

It was moved by Trustee Beyna, seconded by Trustee Hamburger that the Board approve the underpayment of \$3,333.82 due Gerald O'Donnell to his widow as detailed on page 18.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

20 Annuities to Widows – *Revised* 

It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the Revised Annuities to Widows as detailed on page 20.

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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21 Annuities to Children

It was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the Annuities to Children as listed on page 21.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

22 Duty and Occupational Disease Disability Claims

a) Thompson, Theresa M.

Based on the medical reports, it was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board defer all benefits pending a full evidentiary hearing.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

On medical recommendation, it was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board approve a FCE for Theresa Thompson.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

23 - 25 Payment of Death Benefits [Summary on page 26]

It was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board approve payments of the death benefits as listed on pages 23 through 25.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

**LEAVES** 

# 27 - 28 REQUESTS TO PURCHASE PENSION CREDIT FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE MILITARY SERVICE USERRA AND 40 ILCS 5/5-212

Documentation verified, it was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board approve the requests to purchase leave of absence military service as detailed on pages 27 and 28.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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29 REQUEST TO PURCHASE PENSION CREDIT FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

SERVICE UNDER 40 ILCS 5/5-214

Senner, Andrew J.

After review and discussion it was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board defer the request to purchase leave of absence military service as detailed on page 29.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

**MISCELLANEOUS** 

30 REQUEST FOR CHILD DISABILITY BENEFITS

De Jesus, Steve

Documentation verified, it was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the child disability benefits as detailed on page 30.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

31 REQUEST TO PURCHASE PENSION CREDIT FOR PRIOR COOK

COUNTY SERVICE UNDER 40 ILCS 5/5-214(c)

Documentation verified, it was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve the requests to purchase prior service as detailed on page 31.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

32 REQUEST TO PURCHASE PENSION CREDIT FOR PRIOR MILITARY

SERVICE UNDER 40 ILCS 5/5-214.3

Documentation verified, it was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Hamburger that the Board approve the requests to purchase prior military service as detailed on page 32.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

It was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board enter into executive session per 2(c)(11).

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board exit the executive session.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

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33 REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF ANNUITY

Hicks, Eddie C.

After review and discussion it was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board defer the request to reinstate the annuity as detailed on page 33.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

Attorney for Officer **Brian C. Warner** appeared before the Board. He had previously requested a continuance to the June 28, 2018, Board meeting for his client's disability status review. However, Officer Warner's physician is not available for the June 2018 meeting.

It was moved by Trustee Beyna, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board grant the request for a continuance to Officer Brian Warner to the July 26, 2018, meeting.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

**HEARINGS** 

# 34 REQUEST TO PURCHASE PENSION CREDIT FOR PRIOR SERVICE **Jones, Randall**

Randall Jones appeared before the Board, without counsel, on his request to purchase pension credit for prior service. Board counsel reviewed with Officer Jones the procedures of an administrative hearing, along with his right to have an attorney represent him. Officer Jones agreed to proceed without legal representation. After hearing testimony from Officer Jones, and reviewing the documents submitted, it was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board deny Officer Randall Jones' request for pension credit for prior service in accordance with the provisions of the Pension Act.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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35 REOUEST TO PURCHASE PENSION CREDIT FOR OTHER SERVICE

#### Segura, Steven

Officer Segura had notified the Board that he would not be attending his scheduled hearing, and the Board should rule on his request based on the documents submitted. Board counsel reviewed with the Trustees the details of Officer Segura's request along with the provisions of the Pension statutes.

It was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board deny Officer Steven Segura pension credit for other service in accordance with the provisions of the Pension Act.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

# 36 REQUEST TO PURCHASE PENSION CREDIT FOR PRIOR SERVICE

## Weir, Eric

Officer Eric Weir failed to appear for his scheduled hearing on his claim for pension credit for prior service. Board counsel reviewed with the Trustees the details of Officer Weir's request. It was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board deny Officer Eric Weir pension credit for the other service in accordance with the provisions of the Pension Act.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

#### **DISABILITY HEARINGS**

## 37 ORDINARY DISABILITY CLAIM

#### Alejandro, Jesse

Officer Jesse Alejandro failed to appear for his scheduled hearing on his claim for an ordinary disability benefit.

It was moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board defer Jesse Alejandro until a full hearing can be scheduled.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

# 38 DUTY DISABILITY STATUS REVIEW

#### Latsos, George

Officer Latsos requested a continuance on his disability status review.

It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board grant a continuance to George Latsos.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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## 39 DUTY DISABILITY CLAIM

# Lacny, Vincent

Officer Vincent Lacny appeared before the Board, with counsel, on his claim for a duty disability benefit. After hearing testimony from Officer Lacny, reviewing the medical reports and documents submitted, it was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Hamburger that the Board award Officer Lacny a duty disability benefit.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

It was then moved by Trustee Hamburger, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board grant the duty award at 75% of salary as defined in the Statute.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

The Executive Director reviewed with the Board the following matters concerning recommendations of the Board's physician, Dr. Orris,

• Arthur Jablonski is a member currently receiving ordinary disability benefits. The policy of the Board, in accordance with the Pension statutes is that an officer is to be examined by the Board's physician at least once a year. The Fund is in receipt of a doctor's report from Mr. Jablonski's treating physician, indicating Mr. Jablonski is in a wheelchair and residing out-of-state. The report was reviewed with Dr. Orris.

Based on the severity of his disability, it was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board waive the medical exam by the Board's physician for Arthur Jablonski.

#### ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

• Dr. Orris addressed the status and annual exams of disability recipients **Robert Jasinski**, **Robert Obrecki**, and **Tamica Rainey**.

Executive Tuczak is to follow up with the Chicago Police Department concerning the policy of prescribed narcotics and reinstatement from disability in the matter of Robert Jasinski.

It was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Brown that the Board approve a Functional Capacity Evaluation on Robert Obrecki, based upon the recommendation of the Board's consulting physician.

ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

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It was moved by Trustee Beyna, seconded by Trustee Summers that the Board approve an Independent Medical Evaluation for Tamica Rainey, based upon the recommendation of the Board's consulting physician.

**ROLL CALL** 

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

The Executive Director reviewed with the Board the following matters.

- Ms. Tuczak reminded the Trustees that an Audit and Actuarial committee meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. Materials for the meeting will be forthcoming.
- The next issue was a request from retired member, Harry Bingham. Recently, the Board adopted a policy to allow retired members that have not selected healthcare coverage provided by Aetna, Blue Cross Blue Shield and United American Life Insurance, to request a monthly pension deduction for an alternative carrier negotiated directly by the member. Documentation to request such deduction has been sent to retirees specifically requesting this accommodation.

Mr. Bingham completed the documentation to establish a pension deduction for his selected healthcare provider. However, he has requested that he also be allowed to establish a separate and distinct deduction for healthcare insurance for his spouse, who utilizes a different provider. Mr. Bingham indicated that approval of this second and separate deduction would allow him an opportunity to further utilize the Public Safety Officer healthcare deduction on his Federal tax filing.

Discussion was held concerning staff resources to process additional deduction requests for spouses, along with other coverage-types such as prescription drugs or long-term care. The provisions of the Pension statutes were also reviewed. The Board determined that the policy is to be amended to allow for an additional deduction for spousal healthcare coverage. Should the volume of such requests grow exponentially, the Executive Director is to report back to the Board for additional resources.

• The next item was for informational purposes; a trustee at the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago is soliciting, via written request, demographic information with respect to retired staff of the Fund, along with the Laborers' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago and the Municipal Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago, in an effort to obtain quotes for retiree healthcare for these retired staff as one pooled group.

• The last item concerns a request from Officer Margaret Graszer. This officer is scheduled for a disability status review at the June 2018 Board meeting. Officer Graszer lives in California, and she sent the Board a letter indicating that her husband is going through some medical procedures and she requests a continuance until September 2018.

It was moved by Trustee Brown, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board approve a continuance to September 2018 for Officer Margaret Graszer's disability status review.

#### ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

It was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board enter into executive session per 2(c) (11).

#### ROLL CALL

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

It was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Beyna that the Board exit the executive session.

## **ROLL CALL**

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.

Against: 0.

All business concluded for this date, May 24, 2018, it was moved by Trustee Wright, seconded by Trustee Summers that this meeting be adjourned.

# **ROLL CALL**

For: Beyna, Brown, Hamburger, Summers, Wright 5.

Absent: Caldero, Hauser, Wodnicki 3.